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Dear Dr. Barter:

Thank you for your letter dated November 22, 1999, to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), regarding the High Production Volume (HPV) Challenge Program. I apologize for the lengthy delay in responding to your request.

Your letter states that PPG will be taking on sponsorship of three additional chemicals: phosgene (CAS No. 75-44-5), diisopropyl peroxydicarbonate (CAS No. 105-64-6, and metadichlorobenzene (CAS No. 541-73-1). In addition, an attachment shows sponsorship under SIDS and/or PPG, as well as chemicals which PPG no longer manufactures or imports.

EPA records currently show that phosgene (CAS No. 75-44-5) is being sponsored by the American Chemistry Council's (ACC) Phosgene Panel, that diisopropyl peroxydicarbonate (CAS No. 105-64-6) is being sponsored through the SIDS program, and that metadichlorobenzene (CAS No. 541-73-1) is being sponsored by the Chlorobenzene Producers Association. If PPG should be shown as the sponsor for any of these chemicals, please let us know.

Your letter also states that PPG no longer manufactures or imports the chemicals indicated on the enclosed list as "PPG divested this product line." The Agency has received several letters from companies who state that they no longer manufacture or import HPV chemicals for which they filed reports under the 1990 IUR and which are consequently included on the HPV Challenge Program Chemical List. The Agency will post all such letters on the Chemical Right-to-Know (ChemRTK) website ([www.epa.gov/chemrtk](http://www.epa.gov/chemrtk)) so that the general public and other interested stakeholders may see that a specific company is no longer associated with the manufacture or importation of a specific chemical.

We will post your letter, accompanied by our reply, on the ChemRTK website as soon as possible. Should you have any questions pertaining to this response, please contact Diane Sheridan at (202) 564-8176. If you have general questions concerning the HPV Challenge Program, please submit them through the ChemRTK website comment button or through the TSCA Assistance Information Service (TSCA Hotline) at (202) 554-1404. The TSCA Hotline can also be reached via e-mail at [tsca-hotline@epa.gov](mailto:tsca-hotline@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

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